



The Transpennine Route Upgrade & Huddersfield

Frequently Asked Questions

[What is the Transpennine Route Upgrade?](#)

The Transpennine Route Upgrade (TRU) is a major, multi-billion-pound programme of railway improvements which will bring better journeys to passengers travelling across the Pennines between Manchester, Huddersfield, Leeds and York. We're transforming journeys across the North, better connecting towns and cities, through more frequent, faster trains, running on a cleaner, greener and more reliable railway.

[What is TRU doing in Huddersfield and what are the benefits?](#)

In Huddersfield, we are completing a full remodelling of the station. This includes:

- Installing additional track and reconstructing the platforms to enable more trains to run on a greener, more reliable railway.
- Extending the platforms to facilitate longer trains, meaning more space and more seats for customers.
- Improved accessibility with increased tactile wayfinding and a new pedestrian footbridge and lifts.
- The sympathetic restoration of the historic 'Euston-style' roof canopy, including painting work and the installation of the original train shed canopy lantern feature.
- Dismantling and relocating the Grade II listed tearoom to a new location on its current platform to provide an improved space for passengers while they wait for services.
- Installing new toilet facilities.
- Installing an improved customer information system including train departure and customer information screens.
- Completing strengthening work to Huddersfield viaduct to accommodate the new lines of track.
- Relocating the current sidings at Huddersfield station to a new, purpose-built, light maintenance depot at Hillhouse to enhance railway operations and capacity.

Once TRU is complete, Huddersfield station will act as a better gateway for the local community and support social and economic regeneration through the development of a more efficient railway, connecting homes, workplaces and key destinations across the North.

[When & why does Huddersfield station close for 30 days?](#)

Huddersfield station will be closed from **Saturday 30 August to Sunday 28 September 2025**.

This will facilitate upgrades along the railway line including:

- Major track and platform remodelling work at Huddersfield station.
- Huddersfield viaduct strengthening.
- Replacement of John William Street railway bridge.
- Track renewals and signalling work.



How will train journeys be impacted during the 30-day station closure?

During the 30-day closure, no trains will run between Berry Brow / Stalybridge and Heaton Lodge Junction (between Deighton and Mirfield). On some days, trains will not run between Penistone and Huddersfield. Train services will also be impacted on the wider route between Huddersfield, Manchester, Sheffield, Leeds and York:

- **Rail replacement buses:** Throughout the 30-day closure, trains will not call at seven stations (Lockwood, Deighton, Huddersfield, Slaithwaite, Marsden, Greenfield, Mossley). On some days, trains will not call at a further six stations on the Penistone Line (Berry Brow, Honley, Brockholes, Stockmoor, Shepley, Denby Dale). Rail replacement buses will be in use.
- **Diversions:** Many customers will remain on trains for all or part of their journey owing to TransPennine Express services diverting via the Calder Valley line.
- **For those travelling to and from Huddersfield:** Brighouse station will be the primary location for those travelling via Huddersfield. A 15-minute frequency bus service will be in place to transport customers between Huddersfield and Brighouse to connect with trains.
- **For those travelling to and from Manchester:** Stalybridge will act as a road/rail interchange point for customers travelling to and from Manchester and on other local services.
- **Other rail/road interchange locations:** Berry Brow / Penistone and Wakefield Kirkgate also act as key rail/road interchange locations.

Customers are advised to check their journeys before they travel at nationalrail.co.uk or on train operator websites, tpexpress.co.uk and northernrailway.co.uk.

How will train journeys be impacted after the 30-day station closure?

After the 30-day closure, Huddersfield station will reopen in an interim state with three platforms in use, allowing reconstruction work to take place on the other three platforms. Some services will be impacted until January 2027, so customers will be advised to check their journeys before they travel at nationalrail.co.uk or on train operator websites, tpexpress.co.uk and northernrailway.co.uk.

Where can the public find out more information about TRU and the upcoming closure?

- More information about the Transpennine Route Upgrade is available on our website at theTRUupgrade.co.uk, with information on Huddersfield specifically available at theTRUupgrade.co.uk/yourstation/huddersfield.
- Customers are advised to check their journeys before they travel at nationalrail.co.uk or on train operator websites at tpexpress.co.uk (TransPennine Express) or northernrailway.co.uk (Northern Trains).
- For any questions, you can also call Network Rail's 24-hour helpline number on **03457 11 41 41** or use our online contact page at networkrail.co.uk/contact.

What progress has been made in Huddersfield so far?

The upgrades have been progressing well in Huddersfield since work commenced:

- At the station, scaffold towers have been in place to enable significant restoration work to be undertaken to each end of the roof canopy.



- The Grade II listed tearooms have been carefully dismantled and are being stored off site and refurbished, before being reinstated at the station at a later date.
- Strengthening works are ongoing to Huddersfield viaduct in advance of new track being installed, which has included concrete pouring and the replacement of a bridge deck.
- At our Hillhouse site, where we're building a new light maintenance depot, recently completed work includes drainage, cabling, overhead line equipment and track installation so the lines can be electrified in the future.

When will TRU be finished in Huddersfield and when will the town experience the benefits from the project?

- **By 2027:** The majority of station construction work will be completed by 2027, at which point the remodelled station will open with a restored roof canopy, reconstructed platforms, an accessible footbridge with lifts, new toilets and an improved customer information system.
- **Between 2027 and 2030:** New track and overhead line equipment will be installed between Huddersfield and Ravensthorpe.
- **From 2030:** Services will be switched to run on the electric overhead lines. This will bring about more reliable and faster journeys for passengers travelling through Huddersfield and enable more services to run between Huddersfield and Leeds.